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1. Between 31 May and 18 June 1954, the Herrenkrug Kaserne [] in Magdeburg was occupied by about 1,000 soldiers wearing red-bordered black epaulets and the Anger Kaserne [] by about 150 to 200 soldiers wearing red-bordered black epaulets and olive-drab epaulets with medical insignia. Two barracks of Herrenkrug Kaserne were about 50 to 75 percent and only one barrack of Anger Kaserne was about 50 percent on several evenings. Between 4 and 16 June, 2 T-34 tanks, 12 sidecar motorcycles and 27 trucks were seen in the area of the two installations. 25X1
2. In mid-June, the Herrenkrug Kaserne in Magdeburg appeared to be only lightly occupied. On 22 June, more than 200 unarmed soldiers who wore red-bordered black epaulets were lined up in the barracks yard. 25X1
3. At 1915 on 8 July, 8 tanks [] were seen on Berliner Chaussee in Magdeburg; they proceeded toward Herrenkrug Strasse. 25X1
4. Between 5 and 21 June, the Nachrichten Kaserne [] in Magdeburg was presumably only partially occupied. Some of the buildings appeared to be vacant. No training or vehicular traffic were observed. Between 23 June and 2 July, the installation was apparently occupied by only a guard detail. The vehicle sheds were locked. A sentry was seen at the gate and a few soldiers were observed near the buildings in the rear. 25X1
5. Between 29 May and 19 June, the Nachrichten Kaserne was occupied by a guard detail of 150 soldiers who wore red-bordered black epaulets. 25X1
6. Between 16 May and 9 July, the Seeckt Kaserne [] in Magdeburg was occupied by a rear detail of 50 soldiers wearing black-bordered black epaulets. The gate on Bruck Strasse was locked and unguarded; a sentry was observed at the gate on Turmschanzen Strasse. 25X1
7. At 1845 on 9 July, a column of 10 trucks with pontoons and engineer equipment was seen on Berliner Chaussee en route toward Jerichower Strasse, the Elbe bridges and Rathenauer Strasse. [] 25X1
8. Between 29 May and 17 June, the Encke Kaserne [] in Magdeburg was occupied to capacity. Numerous officers who wore red-bordered black and black-bordered red epaulets entered and left the installation. 25X1

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9. Between 31 May and 18 June, the Flak Kaserne [redacted] in Magdeburg was occupied by about 700 soldiers wearing red-bordered black epaulets and, between 19 and 21 June, by about 400 soldiers wearing red-bordered black epaulets. On 2 June, 12 to 15 soldiers wearing red-bordered black epaulets practiced aiming at a mobile miniature aircraft on 4 x 37-mm AA guns. On 9 June, the 4 x 75-mm AA guns were no longer observed in the emplacements east of the athletic field. At noon on 18 June, 8 x 37-mm AA guns and 25 trucks were lined up in the yard and about 12 officers and 200 EM wearing red-bordered black epaulets had fallen in for a roll call in front of a quartering building.⁵

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11. Between 10 May and 15 June, the barracks installations in Hillersleben [redacted] were occupied to capacity as previously. Up to 20 percent of the units stationed there daily left for the training area north of the installation with vehicles and tanks. The units returned in the evening. On 2 June, 2 motorboats and about 8 trucks with 2 pontoons were seen in a wooden shed in the Ost Kaserne. On 6 June, 30 to 35 trucks were seen in a shed and about 15 trucks were seen in two other sheds. Still another shed sheltered 12 canvas-covered trucks with searchlights. On 13 June, 9 JSU-152 guns were seen, in, and T-34 tanks near a tank shed.⁷

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12. On 10 May, a [redacted] list of spare parts and tools [redacted] covers Items No 26 through 214 and mentions spare parts and tools for 1 x 85-mm ZIS-S 53 gun, 2 DT machine guns, and 1 9-RS radio set with TPU-3-Big-F tank voice radio. The document is approved by General Major (Tank Maintenance Service) Pavlovski, chief of the main administration of the army, presumably chief of the main administration of the armored command; and General Major (Tank Maintenance Service) Melnik, chief of supply for the main administration of the armored command.⁸

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13. On 28 June, the West Kaserne, Hillersleben, was occupied by 1,200 to 1,500 soldiers. Motor vehicles and tanks were seen in the sheds in the west section of the installation. About 300 to 350 soldiers received training with small arms at squad and platoon level and 4 T-34/85 tanks practiced driving in the barracks area and in the training area north of the installation. Two telephone details engaged in the laying of a cable from the installation toward Neuenhofe. Three four-story brick buildings, about 40 meters long, were under construction in the northeast corner of the installation area. It could not be determined whether these buildings were to serve as quarters for EM or officers' dependents.

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14. On 28 June, the Ost Kaserne [] in Hillersleben was occupied to capacity by an estimated 1,200 soldiers wearing red-bordered black epaulets, including some with artillery insignia. Drill and training in firing were observed in the south and north section of the installation. Four 85-mm AT guns were seen in front of a shed. Motor vehicles [] were seen entering and leaving the installation. 25X1
1. [] Comment. The difference in the occupation of Harrenburg and Anger Kasernes cannot be explained. It is believed that a major rear detail totaling 500 to 700 soldiers remained in the two installations. 25X1
2. [] Comment. The tank [] belong to the 62d Gds Mech Regt of the 19th Gds Mech Div. [] unloading of 7 tanks at the Magdeburg-Friedrichstadt railroad station at noon on 9 July. 25X1
3. [] Comment. [] the vehicles belonged to the 36th Pon Bridge Regt of the GSEF. Since the column went west via the Elbe bridges, it presumably did not have in it elements of the regiment returning to Seeckt Kaserne since this installation is located east of the Elbe River. 25X1
4. [] Comment. According to same source, a light unit of the 3d Gds AAA Div had been entrained for an undetermined destination at the Magdeburg-Bruckfeld railroad station on 19 June. [] 25X1
5. [] Comment. The information does not indicate any change in the occupation of the other installations in Magdeburg over reports of May. 25X1
6. [] Comment. [] belongs to an unidentified unit in Tomsk, West-Siberian MD [] AAA Regt of the 3d Gds AAA Div in Magdeburg until 11 April 1954. 25X1
7. [] Comment. [] Tank Ing Bn of the 19th Gds Mech Div in Ost Kaserne in Hillersleben until 5 June 1954. 25X1
8. [] Comment. Major General (Tank Maintenance Service) Pavlovski (fmu) had been deputy chief of the main administration of the armored command in the summer of 1945. Major General (Tank Maintenance Service) Melnik (fmu) is reported for the first time. 25X1
9. [] Comment. Prior to late June, the barracks installations in Hillersleben appeared to have been occupied by units of the 19th Gds Mech Div. [] 25X1
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